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From the Top

It's beginning to look like this year is going to be a slow starter. We've already had show and parade cancellations due to the Covid 19. Nampa cancelled the Exchange Club's Armed Forces Day Parade and several early shows have been cancelled or postponed. We don't know yet if we'll have Memorial Day events.

Our May meeting is cancelled and we'll see how June shapes up. We'll just take a wait and see attitude. The only good out of this is if you are stuck at home you should be able to work on that military vehicle project. A few days of uninterrupted work can get a lot accomplished on a vehicle. Stay home, stay safe and stay healthy.

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IMVPA MEETINGS: 1st Tues of the Month. Meeting at 7 at Gates Towing in Nampa. May meeting cancelled!

Officers:

President: Bruce Gates
Vice President: Matt Wrobel
Treasurer: position is open
Quartermaster: position is open
Secretary: position is open
Social Media Director: Benjamin Sterling
Website, Newsletter Editor: Ron Powell

Spotted! VP Matt Wrobel picks up a 1967 M151A1 MUTT from the Idaho Motor Pool!



We've sold a lot of items from the Phil Krueger Estate but there's a lot of vehicles and other items left. If anyone is interested in a list please contact me at 208-890-2249. There are 2 Internationals left, one is a tipper, a 48 Ford pick up, a Jeep trailer, a CJ2a, a generator, a Burma bomb truck, a 1903 Springfield, a 1907 Winchester .30 WCF.

-Bruce Gates
President, IMVPA

It was in the news...

- The MVPA sent out an email. They are offering a free classified ad up to 50 words and will be published in the next issue of History in Motion and on the website. Ads must be submitted to HQ@MVPA.org

-according to an email that went out to MVPA members, daviddoylebooks.com is giving away \$100 worth of books, just enter a drawing.

-Brian has this sweetheart winter top for sale for a WW2 Jeep. Check it out in the classifieds section.



-Did you know we had a website? Go to Idahomvpa.org to get the latest news.

-Have you paid your IMVPA dues?
-Have you joined the MVPA?

-Our member Benjamin is a firefighter and his district has been climbing stairs to raise funds and support the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (LLS). Will you help and donate?! Reach out to Benjamin Sterling using your IMVPA social roster to find out how!

-You did know every member gets an IMVPA social roster, right? So you can contact other members by phone or email, share parts or information, etc. They go out once a year and to new members when they sign up. If you don't have yours, reach out to Ron the newsletter guy and he'll send it out.

Wanted: your newsletter articles, photos, and editorials. The winter months are a great time to submit editorials and stories. Send them in now!

Yet More MVPA news.

-Because of the various stay at home orders and precautions which led to many events being cancelled, including our own International Convention, we haven't been able to show off our military vehicles recently, and of course our annual gallery of convention vehicles in *History in Motion* will be missed.

To fill this void, submit one photo of your vehicle to

MemberMachines@MVPA.org



His glass is half empty. -By anonymous

There are just some things in life that get me feeling down, and you know what I'm talking about. Warm beer, wet socks, paper cuts and oompa loompas are high on the list. But I think what really grinds my gears is stupid or clueless people. Like the guy that bought the last 80 rolls of toilet paper in the store. Or that lady with Oregon plates with the hemp stickers on the bumper who stops and turns without a turn signal. Or the people that sell their 'rare' and 'valuable' junk at super high prices. I know we done been down this road before, but I just gotta complain some more (no you don't, -ed) because perusing the classifieds used to be fun. Now it feels like I just pushed the cotton swab too far into my ear.

For example, here is a sweetheart cherry, nicely restored Cj2A in Washington state. Perfectly correct for a military vehicle, **except that it ain't and never will be.** It can be yours for the one low price of \$33,000.

Here's another sweetheart jeep for sale in Wash. And the seller gave this one the name 'sweety'. For the very reasonable price of \$5500 you can own your own ice cream business, according to the seller. Meaning there's a freezer in the back. Be an entrepreneur, make your dreams come true, even if the same dream didn't work out for the seller. Gotta give him props for trying though. The jeep is like a hemorrhoid, it hurts to look at and sit down in it. I have a better idea for sweetie though. Throw some olive drab paint on it and represent it as a military jeep. Keep the pink wheels and eyelashes though, they are way too pimpin' to remove.

-It's spring, and when the sun comes out you get the sweet smell of fresh flowers, a warm breeze and a general feeling of happiness warms your soul. You may think it's time to quit wrenching and fixing that derelict junker restoration, and just go buy something turn key. Lucky for you! Fakebook marketplace has what you want! Go shoppin' pal!



Here's a fully restored CJ2A in military trim, priced at only 33 grand! It's missing the rope around the bumper, needs some machine guns and 101st airborne stencils on the front, but its ready. Then there's "sweetie.". At least they didn't do this to a M38A1.

From across the pond by Nick Wilson and Ron Powell

George Bernard Shaw was thought to have said that Britain and America are two nations divided by a common language. But what we do share unequivocally is a love for Jeeps and Jeep stories.

Some of you may know that our friend Nick Wilson is an IMVPA member, and he shared these pictures and story for the newsletter. You may not know that Nick is from England (that's why he hasn't made too many meetings, -ed). Yeah we think that's cool.

Nick writes: I would like to share, the attached is a 1941 FORD GP i bought from a older gentleman who is sadly no longer with us, he found it in 1972 and eventually bought it in 1974,

I purchased it off him in 2010 from a small advert in supply line, it needed a full mechanical rebuild as it had been parked in a museum in Indiana for a number of years, i painted and stenciled the guys name on the side sent him a picture he was made up, it will remain as it is my kids think they have already inherited this one when I bought it it had the very rare NOS air cleaner and Holley 847D the same jeep won 1st place in 1981 Kansas and has been used in many articles regarding prototype jeeps.

The letter came a few years after i bought it 2015 from its former owner i would get correspondence off him a couple of times a year sharing stories, this one did make me laugh.

-Regards, Nick



This show winning 1941 GP now resides in England.

Nick,

I have enclosed a receipt I want you to have. I don't remember if I shared this story with you or not. I had asked several friends that if they see a jeep that doesn't look like a normal jeep, let me know. A buddy of mine discovered the GP in a junk yard in South Bend Indiana. The owner said he could have it for \$100. My buddy made the owner an offer for \$10 for the GP. The owner got so mad, he all but physically threw my friend off the grounds. When I decided to pick it up for the asking price and went to South Bend to buy it, the owner was still mad about it. I told him I was there to buy it, not argue price. It took a little while for him to cool off but after we made the deal and I paid him for it, I asked him if he would give me an additional receipt showing that I purchased it for \$10 just to rub it in on my buddy. He thought it was a good idea also and gave me the enclosed receipt. My friend was so upset that he didn't get the GP, I didn't have the heart to show him this. So you are the only one to see it besides me and the owner of the junk yard.

Just another of hundreds of stories I could tell about getting the GP and acquiring parts for it over almost four decades.

Hope you and yours have a happy holiday season in the upcoming months.

Paul

2020 MVPA Convoy by Ron P

The 2020 MVPA convoy can be read about on their website. But what's great is that it goes right through our backyard (Idaho) and you can be part of it, if you desire. Alex Gordon of the Idaho MotorPool will be sponsoring the BBQ. Here is part of the email addressed to the IMVPA:

My name is Doug Wickre, I live in Joseph, Oregon about 4 hours drive from Fruitland. I own IMP 18 (as well as an M38A1 and an M37) and am MVPA member #32712. As you may be aware, the MVPA is planning to do their Parks Highway 2020 convoy in mid to late August this year. They will be going through Baker City, Halfway, OR and up the 39 Road into Joseph, OR on the afternoon of Aug. 20. They will have a static display in Joseph and leave on AM of the 21st for Lewiston, ID. I will be in the convoy, but the local community in Joseph and Enterprise is planning to host a BBQ for the convoy members and many of them will be camping for the night at the Eagle Cap Shooters Association (gun range). My first thought was that you might want to attend the Static Display and you might want to have a table or stand to represent Idaho Motor Pool. My next thought was that you might be willing to make a donation towards the BBQ or even be the named Sponsor of it. One is not dependent on the other, I just want to lay out the opportunities. We would love to have you in attendance. BTW it is a nice drive from Fruitland, to Cambridge, then cross the Snake River by Oxbow Dam, turn right on Forest Service Road 39 and take it into Joseph. It probably takes just as long as the Freeway, but is shorter and much prettier.

If you have any questions or just want to chat, drop me an email or give me a call at 541-398-8867. Doug

YOUR FREE CLASSIFIED ADS, only 1\$ (free, smarta\$\$, -ed)

Wanted: M101A2/A3 trailer. Contact Ben at hondatoys@gmail.com

For Sale: Kevlar Helmet size M and cold war steel pot with brand new woodland cover and both in excellent condition. Contact ron at rondoin_98@hotmail.com.

Wanted: Civil defense items, contact John Downs at johnrdowns@yahoo.com

For Sale: FNS 9C compact 9MM handgun, new in the case, factory paperwork, can ship, ask for pics, asking \$335. Rondoin_98@hotmail.com

For Sale: misc MB bolt on parts, 5 new NDT Firestone tires 7-15 size \$100 each, and a very complete 1950s ¼ ton military trailer unrestored. Contact Wayne at waynehanners@msn.com

Wanted: black out light for Harley Davidson motorcycle. Contact nickwilson4@aol.com

Wanted: tail lights and black out lights for 1943 GPW. Contact Michael at michaelsantinik@gmail.com

For Sale: MB GPW full canvas winter enclosure/top, complete, like new! \$1200 contact Brian at willys1945mb@hotmail.com

For Sale: weapons misc, 50 cal trays (\$40), M240B/M2 pintle mount (\$125); Vietnam era ammo tray (best offer), everything is best offer. Also have complete PRC25 radio on mount, w power supply, headphones, etc, very nice condition; contact mosinmatt@gmail.com



For Sale: German tire repair kits for large military truck tires, all tools included to repair it in the field. \$75 sale or trade. POC is Roy at desertglock@yahoo.com



Having trouble titling your HMMWV in your state? We may be able to help !!
Please e-mail as much information about your problem as possible and let us know
if you will participate in a Class Action lawsuit (not required) if so e mail
hmmwvowner@gmail.com ❖

Idaho Military Vehicle Preservation Association Membership Application

-Since 1993, an Idaho Organization has been dedicated to the preservation
of old and historic military vehicles. The IMVPA encourages the acquisition, preservation,
restoration, and the public education of historic military vehicles. The Idaho club
encourages and supports museums, as well as national and community events.

Membership Fees - \$20.00 per year

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Please mail this membership application to :

Bruce Gates

PO Box 592

Nampa, Idaho 83653

Ownership of a military vehicle is not a requirement for membership!

Monthly meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM.

Please call (208) 890-2249 for more information.

Are you a member of the Military Vehicle Preservation Association, or MVPA!

Why join? You get access to thousands of members worldwide for information,
vehicles, parts, resources and a community of shared enthusiasm; Premium
publications – *ARMY MOTORS* and *SUPPLY LINE*, the best in the hobby from the
only international historic military vehicle association; An organization that supports
pro-HMV legislation to protect your access to vehicles, parts and vehicle usage;
Doing your part to support vehicle and archival preservation and research; Preferred
pre-registration status and vehicle judging access for the annual convention;
Reduced ad rates in *SUPPLY LINE*; Access to the members only website section
and directory; A vote and voice in the operation and direction of the MVPA
Go to MVPA.org, or

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